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INTEREST in President Wilson's fiancée, soon to be the First Lady in the Land, is growing as the days pass since the announcement of the engagement. Washington is busy discussing the attractive Mrs. Norman Galt, as it has known her from 19 years' acquaintance.

Strange to say, the widely diffused information shows a most unusual similarity in all essential points, which should prove to the world at large that this next mistress of the White House is a lady of such genuine charm of manner and beauty of face and of such individuality that her interviewers and biographers can make no mistake in describing her person, her tastes, her manners or the home in which she lives.

While refusing to be interviewed or to add any detail to the brief and formal statement of her engagement and approaching marriage to the Chief Executive, Mrs. Galt, in accepting the congratulations and good wishes of old and new friends, lets it be seen that her plans are made for the forthcoming wedding, which will be the most important Washington has known since that of President Cleveland to Miss Frances Folsom on June 2, 1896.

Mrs. Galt's home, just off Dupont Circle, while one of the most modest in that region, has for years been noted for its charming appointments and homelike atmosphere. This quality made a strong appeal to the President in the trying days of the spring, when he found in its dainty French drawing-room a welcome rest from the cares of office and the lonely grandeur of the White House. Miss Margaret Wilson and her cousin, Miss Helen Woodrow Bones, who has been practically the mistress of the White House since the illness and death of Mrs. Wilson, have been entertained frequently in the pretty home on Twentieth street. But rarely were other guests present, as, until the departure of the Executive household for Cornish in the early summer, no member of the Wilson family accepted any formal invitation, even from the closest of friends.

There were few days, however, that a White House motor was not seen to stop at Mrs. Galt's door, sometimes with the President as its occupant, but quite as often with one or two of the ladies of the family calling for their new but most congenial friend.

Like Miss Margaret Wilson, Mrs. Galt is an accomplished musician, with the piano as her favorite instrument. She is also deeply interested in the serious things of life, with the same intellectual tastes and appreciation of simple living that characterize the ladies of the President's family. She has been an active worker in the charities of St. Thomas' Parish and one of the most zealous promoters of the Southern mountaincraft schools and sales. Associated with her in this latter work are Mrs. Claude Swanson, wife of the Senator from Virginia, and Mrs. Edith Meredith, widow of former Representative Meredith of the same state, with a number of other women residing permanently at the Capital.

A woman cheerful by nature, of keen mentality, fond of books, of music, of the theater, and even of baseball, she is the ideal companion for a busy man of President Wilson's tastes, and admirably adapted to the difficult role of stepmother to grown daughters.

Not the least of the many attractions of the next mistress of the White House is her excellent example in the matter of dress. The shortage of imported materials or failure of the dyestuffs has no terrors for Mrs. Norman Galt, who, since laying aside her mourning several years ago, has evolved a style of costume in white, in black, and in the softest of grays that is both modest and becoming.

Left a widow in her early thirties, Mrs. Galt wore the deepest mourning for several years, later adopting crepe de chine in both white and black as the material for her afternoon and evening gowns, with serge velours de laine and broadcloth for street wear.

At Cornish last summer she invariably wore white tailored skirts and soft blouses for the morning, white silk, sometimes white chiffon for evening, with any number of charming white muslins in between. All through the spring season she was noticed to wear a corsage bouquet of violets, but since her return from Cornish, orchids, now known to be the choicest blooms of the White House conservatories, have succeeded the violets.

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Mrs. David S. McGonigle, formerly Miss Louise McNamara. She is well known in Honolulu, having visited here a few months ago.

smart lines, with the jacket decorated in military fashion in white silk braid, is one of the favorite costumes in which the future mistress of the White House is to be seen almost any pleasant afternoon. With this Mrs. Galt wears white kid low shoes, white silk hosiery, and a small black velvet hat.

Tall, dark-eyed and dark-haired, with regular featured and clear complexion, the next mistress of the White House compares well in appearance with that other Presidential bride, the former Mrs. Grover Cleveland, who, until now, has been the great beauty in a long line of distinguished women who have played the role of first lady of the land.

Without any experience in official life, Mrs. Galt has lived 19 years in Washington, where she has seen administrations come and go while she was free to gather about her a circle of clever, cultured men and women of the resident sets which make up the permanent population of the District of Columbia.

Esthetic Dancing the Rage.

Because a noted physician during one of his lectures stated that no exercise will make a girl graceful as quickly as esthetic dancing, everywhere on the mainland that form of the dance is fast becoming the rage. Society women attend classes every week and their little children too are encouraged to learn the various steps.

Mothers have lost the fear that as soon as pretty little daughters learn a few steps of the ballet they will apply for positions on the stage, and as a result the fancy dances are given at many of the fashionable entertainments. In Honolulu there is considerable interest shown in the esthetic dancing, both along the simple and the interpretative line. At the Y. W. C. A. the simpler dances are being taught to groups of young women during the evenings and in the afternoon the children have their lessons under Miss Leonora Anderson. Mrs. R. J. Bolton, known in stageland as Rosemarie Zila, is a clever exponent of the interpretative dances and this winter she is to open a few classes. Most of Mrs. Bolton's work will be with the kiddies though a number of the young society maids have shown a keen interest in the dances. With this following of the fancy steps the local amateur theatricals Honolulu society folk take part in will in many ways be improved.

But with all the interest in the esthetic and classic dances the young folks have not lost any of the enthusiasm they have shown lately in the new ball room dances. On the contrary they seem even more keen over the new waltz and one-step, which are being standardized in all of the large cities. There are many informal clubs organized in the several social sets here, in which Madam Lester and Gordon Campbell are teaching the new steps.

Belgian Day Again.

November 20 has been set aside by some of the charity workers in Honolulu as Belgian Day, when pretty girls will again parade the streets selling Belgian badges, the proceeds of which will go to the starving Belgians. No offices will be entered and no one shall be accosted twice, is the system planned, as before. Honolulu will again do her part.

Miss Pauline Schaefer Entertains.

With the Halloween spirit prevailing among her guests, Miss Pauline Schaefer was hostess last evening at one of the most enjoyable of the week's affairs. The Schaefer home in Nuuanu valley was the scene of much merriment during the evening while the young folks did the Hal-

lowe's stunts and later when they had all bobbed for apples and hunted for peanut fortunes a Hawaiian quintet club struck up a gay dance tune and the season's dances were indulged in. For her decorations Miss Schaefer chose black cats, witches and jack o'lanterns, which were very effective. The guests included Lieut. and Mrs. Howard Douglas Bode, Mr. and Mrs. William B. Lymer, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Clark, Miss Ruth McChesney, Miss Sara Lucas, Miss Marie Ballentyne, Miss Mary von Holt, Miss Hilda von Holt, Miss Myrtle Schuman, Miss Beatrice Castle, Miss Harriet Hatch, Douglas Young, Bob Purvis, Walter Argabrite, Frank Kennedy, Mr. Henrich, Mr. Pfueger, Kit Carson, Philip Spalding, Fred Schaefer, Mr. O'Connor, Armiger Drege, Philip Rogers, Stanley Kennedy, William Warren, Fred Wichman, Vivien Dyer and Francis Brown.

Maryland's Departure Regretted.

The departure of the Maryland Friday morning has left a void in society which is almost impossible to fill. The cruiser has made three trips to the islands this year and on each occasion the officers have been entertained and have entertained their Honolulu friends extensively. There have been numerous dinners on Uncle Sam's boat and the quarter-deck has often been the scene of informal dancing parties.

Now that the Maryland may go into reserve at Mare Island, that means that it will be many moons before she makes another trip to the islands. And while Honoluluans expressed much regret at the departure of the craft there was no less sorrow expressed by the Maryland officers. With the cruiser went the remaining F-type submarines and their popular officers, who had almost begun to think of themselves as "kamaainas". It was thought that the navy life here would be kept alive, however, by the officers and ladies from the K boats, but with the new order recently issued from Washington it looks as though the naval representatives in Hawaii are to be stationed at Pearl Harbor.

Mrs. Crittenden in San Francisco.

"I feel just like an exile returning home. I never really appreciated San Francisco before."

This was the salutation extended to San Francisco yesterday by Mrs. K. B. Crittenden, wife of Lieut.-comdr. Crittenden, flotilla commander of the F group of submarines, who returned from Honolulu on the Manoa yesterday morning. She had been in the Hawaiian islands for over a year.

Mrs. Crittenden is a sister of Postmaster Charles Fay and of Maud Fay, the opera singer, who is expected to reach San Francisco about January 1 from Munich, where she has been appearing in benefits for the German soldiers.

Dr. and Mrs. C. B. High of Honolulu also arrived in San Francisco on the Manoa.—San Francisco Examiner.

Mrs. Bodrero a Hostess.

With a cluster of bright-hued American Beauty roses ornamenting the table, Mrs. Catherine Bodrero entertained at an elaborately appointed dinner on Wednesday evening at her home at Waikiki. The guest of honor on this occasion was Mrs. Seannal, a sister of the hostess, who is visiting in Honolulu this winter. Attractive cards marked the places of 18 guests, including Mrs. Seannal, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Dillingham, Mr. and Mrs. Ranney Scott, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Brown, Mrs. Christian De Guigne, Miss Ysobel Chase, Miss Beatrice Castle, Miss Harriet Hatch, Ed Hede-mann, George Fuller, Frank Kennedy, Stanley Kennedy and the hostess.

CALLING DAYS FOR HONOLULU

Mondays—Punahou, Makiki.
Tuesdays—Waikiki, Kaplani Park, Kaimuki, Palolo. First Tuesday—Fort Ruger.
Wednesdays—Nuuanu, Punui, Pacific Heights. First and third Wednesdays, above the Nuuanu bridge; second and fourth Wednesdays, below bridge; fourth Wednesday, Pacific Heights; first and third Wednesdays, Alewa Heights.
Thursdays—The Plains.
Fridays—Hotels and town, fourth Friday; Fort Shafter, first Friday; Manoa, College Hills, first and third Friday.
Saturdays—Kalihi, third and fourth Saturdays; Kamehameha schools, last Friday.
Fort Shafter—Calling day every Friday.

Note—The telephone number of the Society Editor is 2799.

Football Luncheon.

Punahou Academy girls with school spirit attended a luncheon before the game at the Outrigger Canoe Club today. School songs and cheers were a feature. The tables were appropriately decorated in buff and blue, the scheme being carried out with yellow chrysanthemums and blue tulle. Corsages of chrysanthemums and blue ribbon were placed at each cover. Among those present were Miss Mita Hawk, Miss Clemence Gifford, Miss Electa Williams, Miss Mildred Chapin, Miss Marguerite Briand, Miss Gertrude Ripley, Miss Mildred Chapin, Miss Ruth Seybold, Miss Sybil Carter, Miss Florence White, Miss Ruth Stacker. After luncheon the party motored to Alexander field, where the football game is being played.

Luau at the Outrigger Club.

In honor of Capt. J. van Beuren Mitchell of New York, who is visiting in Honolulu, Dr. and Mrs. Harold Lyon entertained at a luau at the Outrigger Club on Thursday evening. The table was prettily decorated with quantities of green ferns over a bed of ti leaves and the favors for the guests were yellow leis. Marking the places at the table were dainty hand-painted cards shaped as guitars. After the luau the guests spent an enjoyable

evening dancing to the music of the electric piano in the pavilion. Among those present were Capt. Mitchell, the guest of honor; Dr. and Mrs. Henry Bicknell, Miss Cooper, Miss Florence Lee, Mr. Kay, Dave Larsen, Dr. Back and the host and hostess.

Illinois Woman Takes Long Trip With Party of New York Friends.

Mrs. H. W. Baum, formerly Miss Daisy Gaver of this city, left this week for Honolulu to spend several weeks. She accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Rowan of New York city. Mrs. Baum and husband have been making their home in Salt Lake City for the past five years. Mr. Baum being engaged upon the construction of the Utah capitol building, which costs \$2,000,000. He is superintendent of construction, in the employ of James Stewart Company of New York city, one of the largest contracting firms in the United States, and has a very fine position. He has been with this firm for many years. He had charge of the construction of a huge dam in Utah, which cost \$75,000, and will have charge of the erection of the new capitol building for Oklahoma, at Oklahoma City, the contract for which was recently let to the Stewart Company. Mr. Rowan is a member of the Stewart Company, and he and his wife have been visiting the Panama exposition in company with Mrs. Baum.—Bloomington (Ill.) Pantograph.

Miss Kathleen Walker, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Walker, is leaving for an extended trip to the mainland in the Wilhelmina on Wednesday. Miss Walker is leaving the islands with Mrs. J. R. Parker, the wife of Capt. J. R. Parker, formerly of Honolulu. During the past six weeks Mrs. Parker has been visiting friends in Honolulu who regret that she is to return to California so soon. During part of the time she is on the mainland, Miss Walker will visit Miss Annie Parker, a daughter of Mrs. Parker. Miss Sophie Walker left for the mainland a fortnight ago in the Matsonia, and she and her sister will spend some time together before she returns to the islands in the Great Northern, when that boat makes its first regular trip to the islands.

Mrs. Reginald W. Everett, who has been visiting her cousin, Miss Maybelle Netherstrom, in Wilmington, W. V., for a few weeks, has returned to San Francisco. On Monday evening she was hostess at an elaborate dinner party given at the St. Francis in honor of Miss Pansy Woodcock, who will soon depart for Honolulu, where she will be married to Glenn Kennedy. The wedding will take place early in the spring of the coming year.—San Francisco Chronicle.

During the week Matteo Sandona has added two new portraits to the Gump gallery. They are the daughters of ex-Governor Carter of Honolulu. The pictures are executed in the usual Sandona style and show the young ladies in a wholesomely natural manner. Their own good looks create a beauty value to the drawings.—San Francisco Chronicle.

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